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AGENDA REPORT

Agenda Item # 50



City of Santa Clara, California



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DATE:

September 3, 2008

TO:

City Manager for Council Information

FROM:

Phil Kleinheinz, Fire Chief

SUBJECT:

Presentation, Under Special Order of Business, of a Proclamation

to Fire Chief Kleinheinz Proclaiming the Week of October 5-11, 2008

as Fire Prevention Week

This year, the Fire Prevention Week "Kick-Off" Day will again be combined with a Fire Department Open House to be held at the Fire Department Training Center, located at 1900 Walsh Avenue, on Saturday, October 4, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. It is requested that the attached proclamation be presented to Fire Chief Kleinheinz, under Special Order of Business, at the September 30, 2008 City Council Meeting. The proclamation will then be presented again to the Fire Department as part of the Fire Prevention Week Kick-Off Day opening ceremonies and Fire Department Open House on October 4th.

Presentation of the Fire Prevention Week Proclamation will help to increase awareness of Fire Prevention Week and support the efforts of the Fire Department in fire safety education.

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Fire Chief

APPROVED:

Jennifer Sparacino

City Manager

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Documents Related to this Report:

(1) 2008 Fire Prevention Week Proclamation

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- **WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Clara is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all residents and visitors in our city and that fire is a serious public safety concern and homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk from fire; and
- WHEREAS, cooking is the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries, while heating equipment and smoking are the leading causes of home fire deaths, and the Santa Clara Fire Department is dedicated to reducing home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and fire safety education; and
- **WHEREAS,** Santa Clara residents are encouraged to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire in their homes and to have and practice a home fire escape plan to be more prepared and more likely to survive a fire; and
- WHEREAS, the 2008 Fire Prevention Week theme, "It's Fire Prevention Week Prevent Home Fires!" effectively serves to remind us all of the simple actions we can take to stay safer from fire during Fire Prevention Week and year-round;
- **NOW, THEREFORE, I, PATRICIA M. MAHAN**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor and on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of October 5-11, 2008, as

"FIRE PREVENTION WEEK"

in the City of Santa Clara, and call upon our citizens to protect their homes and families by heeding the important safety messages of Fire Prevention Week 2008 and support the many public safety activities and efforts of the Santa Clara Fire Department.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Santa Clara, California, this 30th day of September, 2008.

PATRICIA M. MAHAN MAYOR City of Santa Clara